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should wear, the means of cleanliness, bathing, exercise, recreation; no period in the life of the school child is slighted, and every consideration is given to the development of moral and physical health.

A REFERENCE HANDBOOK OF GYNECOLOGY FOR NURSES. By Catherine MacFarlane, M.D., Gynecologist to the Woman's Hospital, Philadelphia. Price \$1.25. W. B. Saunders Company, Philadelphia and London. Second Edition.

This book belongs to the series in flexible red leather bindings issued by Saunders. In its second edition the newer methods are introduced pertaining to the preparation for and after-care of major gynecologic operations. The newer details of operating-room technic are also described, and there are various additions to the text along the lines of recent discoveries in disease.

HYGIENE AND SANITATION: A TEXT-BOOK FOR NURSES. By George Price, M.D. Author of *A Hand-Book on Sanitation, Tenement House Inspection, Epitome of Hygiene and Public Health*; Director, Joint Board of Sanitary Control; Director of Investigation, New York State Factory Commission. Price, \$1.25. Lea and Febiger. Philadelphia and New York.

The author of this book is well known as a teacher of nurses in what may be termed the larger field of their activity. He was one of the first to recognize that the nurse might become an important factor in municipal and public health work, and to encourage the experiment of nurse tenement-house inspectors and the factory welfare nurse.

The present volume is dedicated to Miss Lillian D. Wald, "the pioneer of public health nursing in the United States, and the foremost advocate for the extension of the scope of the nurse's work."

This book is general in its application and is designed to furnish a fundamental knowledge of the principles of hygiene. It includes the hygiene of habitations, in all its branches; the hygiene of foods and food supplies, particularly milk and dairy products, giving in detail the inspection and testing of milk; the hygiene of schools and school children; the hygiene of occupations; the hygiene of municipalities; and personal hygiene.

Hygiene whether personal, public, or municipal is founded, says Dr. Price, upon three sciences: sanitary science, bacteriology and vital statistics. The first deals with the external factors of life, housing, food, water, air, etc. The second deals with the prevention of disease and the last is termed the "Public Health Bookkeeping."

That there is need for a greater knowledge of the principles of hygiene and sanitation few will deny but many will add that they have not time or opportunity to acquire the necessary scientific teaching. Dr. Price places such teaching within the reach of all who can read. It is growing constantly more necessary that such teaching should enter into everyone's education, as each year adds to the conditions of life the elements that threaten the preservation of human life and the prevention of disease.